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It will be seen that Government have *not* laid down that the action to be taken on these representations is to be at the sole discretion of the officers concerned. The instruction is that orders should be passed with absolute regard to the merits of each case."

Electric power extension to Uravakonda.

* 1281 *Q.*—SRI S. NARAYANAPPA: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation was received regarding the electricity extension scheme to be taken from Konakondla Panchayat to Uravakonda (via) Vajrakarur;

(*b*) if so, what action the Government have taken and whether any orders have been passed; and

(*c*) how much amount worth of materials is stocked at Guntakal for the electricity extension scheme from Guntakal to Uravakonda?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

" (*b*) The matter is under consideration.

" (*c*) The materials stocked at Guntakal are intended for all electricity extension schemes either sanctioned or to be sanctioned in Bellary and Anantapur districts in the vicinity of Guntakal including Guntakal-Uravakonda extensions. It is not, therefore, possible to state the value of materials intended for the Guntakal-Uravakonda extension scheme alone."

Roads and irrigation works in Narasaraopet division, Guntur.

* 1282 *Q.*—SRI P. VENKATASIVIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many investigation parties have been at work in the Narasaraopet Revenue Division of Guntur district since 1948;

(*b*) how many road and irrigation works have been investigated;

(*c*) how many have been taken up for execution and completed; and

(*d*) what was the total cost of those works?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" (*a*) Special investigations staff consisting of one subdivision has been at work since 1948 for investigating irrigation works. The regular Highways Department staff was investigating road works.

" (*b*) 103 road works and 7 irrigation schemes.

" (*c*) 67 road works and one irrigation scheme.

"(*d*) The total cost of works referred to in clause (*c*) is Rs. 9,17,745."